25 March 2015

Message from the Principal, Mrs Jody Stehbens

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent /Teacher interviews will be offered to all families in the next 2 weeks of this Term. This is an opportunity for parents to talk with the teacher, one on one, about your child’s progress. You will also have time to ask any questions that you may have.

Thank you to parents who have returned the booking sheets. Please make a time with your child’s teacher when the timetables come home with your child. If you have not received a timetable to book in, please contact the office or your child’s teacher.

If you have an appointment, please be on time and, if you are unable to attend, please phone the office so that another parent is able to take your appointment time.

Kruger Crocs Training Session at Keebra Park

Our 11 and 12 Year Old Crocs, along with 3 other schools, participated in a rigorous training day at Keebra Park last Thursday. Our boys were put through a series of tests such as stamina, strength, skill development, nutrition and game play; and they ended the day with a footy match. A few of our students were successful in achieving match awards. Students were very tired, taking the opportunity to sleep on the bus on the journey home. Thank you to coaches who have trained the teams and those who participated on the day.

End of Term Assessment is Underway

All students are participating in end of term assessment. It is important that students are at school every day so that they can complete the end of term assessment. If they are absent from school, it may result in the assessment being incomplete and this may affect the end of semester report mark.

Science NAPLAN Trial

Students in Year 6 were asked to complete a Science Literacy Test for the National Assessment Program. Some students completed a paper copy, whilst others completed a computer test and investigation. The purpose of the assessment was to compare how students performed under each set of conditions. The students on the computer were also asked to complete a survey. The results of this trial will be used to develop further tests for when NAPLAN becomes an online test in 2017. Student results will have no impact on report cards or class results.

All Test Administrators were very impressed with the willingness of the Year 6 students to participate and persist to complete some quite difficult questions.

National Day of Action Against Bullying - Friday 20th March, 2015 – A DAY OF ORANGE!

What a day…. with so many students and staff members supporting us in highlighting our stand against bullying in our school environment. We, at Kruger State School, are clear with our expectations and teach explicit lessons that show students it is not OK to hurt others or to make someone feel bad or continuously tease/annoy/upset others. Our stand against bullying extends further than our classrooms, with discussions about how our community treats others beyond our school.

We had an amazing 610 students come dressed in orange to support the day. Some students chose bandanas, hairbands, shorts, shirts, scarfs, zinc or hair colouring. Our school captains also took a lead role in judging our best dressed in each year level. The competition was tough and two of our year levels had 2 winners as the judges were not able to separate them!

We have 9 amazing winners – each receiving a $5.00 tuckshop voucher to help out with their lunches this week. We also acknowledged some great teachers who were dressed to impress – Mr Kumitau and Mrs Broomfield. Congratulations all! Some students did not have orange in their wardrobe – but this did not stop them from participating with parent and students getting creative and designing their own bullying no way shirts! Check these out! Amazing and soooo true!
Our Student Council target was 75% of our students. Our 64% was a little below our target – but we will get better and better each year. Some classes boasted 95-100% of student participating. An amazing effort by all.

**Special mention to Mrs Francis’s 4E classroom where I was greeted at 8.25am with amazing decorations of orange throughout the room, a beautiful pair of orange glasses to match my outfit and fabulous effort by most students to get into orange. Mrs Francis and her class made it clear that bullying is not OK in their classroom!!!**

Our day included explicit lessons on how we deal with bullying - STOP, WALK, TALK and how students make a choice to be a stander by or a non stander by. A key message in our lessons was to teach students the definition of bullying, to ensure that when reporting an issue, we are reporting and using the correct language. A reminder for us all…..

**Bullying is when someone hurts you, your feelings or speaks to you using “put downs” regularly and ignores your clear messages of “STOP”. Bullying is a pattern of behaviour. It is NOT one instance. It is NOT one comment.**

**Focus on Finger Gym - Melanie Denton (Head of Special Education Services)**

This term we have been doing Finger Gym three mornings a week before school. The Finger Gym program not only focusses on fine motor skills (cutting, manipulating objects, moving muscles), it also aims to promote the development of school readiness skills such as:

- Asking for help
- Maintaining a stable sitting position
- Organising work space and equipment
- Following visual and auditory directions
- Initiating and completing a task
- Transitioning from one task to another
- Problem solving
- Becoming aware of other students and their needs

Some of the activities that students have been completing include:

- Threading
- Sorting
- Cutting
- Puzzles
- Tying knots

The activities are divided into 5 categories: strengthening skills (big muscles/strong hands); sensory and planning skills; fine motor coordination skills; pencil to paper skills and cutting skills. The students have enjoyed participating and are having fun learning new skills.

A special thankyou to all of the parents that have been ensuring their child is at school at 8:00am on the days we run the program. Without your commitment to this, we would not have been as successful.

Some suggestions for activities that can be done at home:

- Playdoh (rolling, pinching, cutting)
- Chalk (drawing pictures, shapes, writing letters, drawing different lines – zig zag, straight, curved)
- Cutting pictures from magazines and creating a collage
- Tying shoe laces
- Threading beads, pasta
- Rolling marbles; blowing marbles with a straw; flicking marbles
- Balancing

If you have any concerns about your child in this area, and would like the opportunity to participate in this program, please see the class teacher (note there are limited spaces available).

**Important Dates**

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**Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme 2015 - Prep to Year 6**

In 2015, we are offering you a cost effective way to purchase textbooks, stationery and other resources for your child.

With today’s curriculum, students need a large variety of textbooks and other resources. If we were to ask you to provide what is required yearly, it could be very expensive for families.

**Benefits of the Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme:**

- Ensures all students have all the required resources for their education for the entire year.
• Ensures that your child has the wide range of materials necessary to support their learning in all areas.
• Provides your child with the opportunity to ‘hire’ (use for the year) the more expensive items e.g. dictionaries, atlases, textbooks and resources for computer work and associated activities. Also active learning resources such as puzzles, art materials and individual whiteboards.
• Provides your child with printed and laminated class activity sheets e.g. photocopying of learning materials, homework materials.
• Provides materials used for classroom projects e.g. a range of art materials, cardboard and technology resources.
• Ensures that all equipment will be replaced if lost/damaged.
• Provides a service to parents/carers (we do the shopping and running around for you).
• Allows the school to purchase good quality equipment in bulk at greatly reduced costs.
• Is supplied to your child as “GST Free”.

This Scheme provides the entire package for a set fee of $100.00 for Prep to Year 3 and $120.00 for Years 4 to 6 but is not available in parts.

Conditions for participating in Scheme:
Complete the attached Participation Agreement form and return to the school office as soon as possible. Please ensure you read the back of this form for further conditions in this scheme.

Payment:

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• If you wish to negotiate a different instalment payment plan, please contact the Business Services Manager at the office.
• Instalments need to be up to date for students to receive their resources.
• If you still have outstanding monies from previous years, you will need to contact the office and negotiate a payment plan for you to be eligible for the 2015 Scheme.
• Payments can be made by Cash, Cheque, Bankcard, Visa, Mastercard, and Eftpos or directly into the school bank account. A receipt will be provided.

• Payments can also be made through Centrepay. Please see the office for a form.
• The Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme needs to be paid for in full before a student can participate in any extra curricular activities. Extra curricular activities include camps, sporting and cultural activities outside the normal curricular program.

Where there is genuine parental financial hardship, parents can discuss with the School Administration how they can meet their financial obligations by instalments throughout the school year or discuss alternative arrangements to accommodate special circumstances.

Students transferring in/out during year:
• If a student starts school after first term, the fee is reduced and charged according to the weeks attended in the school year.
• If a student leaves school having paid the fee, a refund will be made, taking into account the weeks remaining in the school year.

Families NOT participating in the Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme:
• Please collect a Year Level requirement list which includes all stationery and textbooks that your child will need.
• Please supply all items on the list now.
• Books and resources provided under the Scheme will not be issued to students whose parents/carers choose not to participate.
• You will be required to replace items through the year if they are lost, damaged or used.
• You will be required to supply any additional items needed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum or your child’s particular needs.

P&C Approval
The Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme has the approval of the school’s Parents and Citizens Association.

ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE ATTENDING THE OFFICE TO MAKE PAYMENTS?
We can take your Credit Card details over the phone, please contact the office on 3814 9333.

You can make a Direct Deposit into the School Bank account. Our account details are located at the bottom of your statements. If you choose to pay via a Direct Deposit, please ensure that you enter your child’s full name, class and what it is for as a reference.

Payments can be made at the office. We accept Cash, EFTPOS, Credit Card or Direct Deposit.

Failure to finalise payment for the Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme may result in your child/ren not receiving resources. Parents who have outstanding monies will be contacted by the office in the next coming weeks.
Library News
The library is open from 8:00am each morning for borrowing and returns.
Students can borrow a book for 2 weeks.
Students in Prep to Year 1, 2 and 3 must have a library bag to borrow. We require this so that books are less likely to be damaged.
Students in Year 5 and 6 can borrow 2 books at a time.

Tuckshop
If you have a large order, please supply two paper bags or you can purchase them from the Tuckshop for 10 cents each. All orders are to be placed before 9.30am.
If, for some reason, your child doesn’t have lunch, we will supply a sandwich with the following tasty spreads (Jam/Vegemite). The Tuckshop will then send an Invoice home for the value of $2.00.

Uniform Shop
Operating Hours

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3 month Lay-By Available (payable with small deposit) must be paid in full before uniforms are released.
Please Note: No uniforms will be sold in the mornings, so please don’t get upset when we cannot serve you.

Student Banking
Welcome back to School for another busy year. We have started our student banking up again. Even if your child has gone on to the high school, we can still do their banking. It will only change if your child reaches the age of 16 years old.
Anyone that would like to start a student bank account can pick up a form from Mrs Soper or Mrs Lologa at the tuckshop.
Children that already have accounts just need to bring their book and money to tuckshop and give them to Mrs. Soper or Mrs Lologa. It will be banked on Friday and all bank books will be returned to classes Monday morning. Please remember your child only has to bank a minimum amount (20 cents).

There are some good rewards for every ten deposits:

Term One
ET DVD and Planet Handball

Term Two
Invisible Ink Martian Pen and Intergalactic Rocket

Term Three
Glow –in-the Dark Solar System and Cosmic Light Bream Torch

Team Four
Outer Space Savers Money Box and Lunar Light Band
And one lucky family could win a grand prize to Disneyland California.
Please remember to change their Class Detail on Cover and also fill out the Details on Deposit Slip.
Thanks P&C

Physical Education 2015
Congratulations to Leilani L and Mikayla C for making the Central District netball team. We wish them well at the Met West trials.

Program for Cross Country Thursday 26th March

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Some provisional date claimers for the year are as follows;
Senior Cross Country (Year 3-6) – March 26th at Kruger State School
Central Districts Cross Country – May 1st at Woodcrest College
Season 1 sport (girls and boys rugby league, girls and boys soccer and netball)
Gala Day 1 – May 29th, Gala Day 2- June 5th and Gala Day 3 – June 12th
Senior Athletics Carnival – June 18th at Kruger State School
Season 2 sport (boys and girls basketball, boys and girls touch and boys and girls AFL)
Week 1 – July 31st, Week 2 – August 7th, Week 3 – August 14th and Week 4 – August 21st
Central District Athletics Carnival – August 3rd and August 4th at Limestone Park
Season 3 sport (boys and girls tee-ball, boys and girls softball and cricket)
Week 1 – October 16th, Week 2 – October 23rd, – Week 3 – October 30th, Week 4 – November - 6th and Week 5 – November 13th
Junior (Prep – Year 2) Sports Day and Cross Country will be in Terms 3 and 4 respectively with final dates to be arranged.

Trials for Winter Gala Days (Season 1) will be held in the next couple of weeks. Students should see coaches for further details. Mr McMurtrie, Miss Wilton and Mrs Fleming-Keyes will be coaching rugby league and Mr Gall will be coaching the boys’ soccer team. Mr Hamilton and I will be coaching the girls’ soccer teams and Miss Ballis and Ms Johnston will be coaching netball. We will have a sport trial session on Feb 27th at school. Good luck to all students during the trials.

As quotes for sport are yet to be finalised, a rough guide to the costs are as follows: Winter Gala Days @ $22 to $26, Mid-Year Sport @ $30 -$34 and Summer Sport @ $35 -$42. Please note that this is just an estimate at this stage and costs may change when details are finalised. For students to be eligible to represent our school in a sporting team, parents are reminded that a down payment for the Resource Scheme Levy must be made prior to April 4th (last day of Term 1).

To help with organisation, district draws and bus booking etc, we need to have teams organised prior to sporting nominations being called for by sports convenors. This will determine the number of teams we will have representing our school and hopefully prevent us having to pull teams out of competitions after draws and fixture lists have been drawn up. Therefore, we will be asking that full payment for Season 1 sport be received by April 2nd (with only students who have paid a down payment on the school Resource Scheme Levy being eligible to play) and full payment for Season 2 sport be received by May 22nd (with only students who have paid the full amount for the Resource Scheme Levy being eligible to play). If you require a payment plan, please see the office as soon as possible.

Students playing rugby league this year are advised that the safety guidelines recommend students wear a mouth guard while playing and training. We thoroughly recommend that these guidelines are followed for student safety. Some sports that will be taught during school lessons such as hockey also suggest students wear a mouth guard. The school has a limited supply of mouth guards for sale if any student needs one. These can be purchased at the office for $5.00 WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

In physical education classes students will be learning the following;

Year 6 – European Handball, Golf, Badminton, Athletics, Volleyball and Softball
Year 5 – Badminton, Golf, Lacrosse, Athletics, Volleyball and Softball
Year 4 – Hockey, AFL, Basketball, Athletics, T-ball and Netball
Year 3 – Hockey, Soccer, Basketball, Athletics, T- Ball and Netball

I look forward to another very productive and rewarding year.

Yours in sport

Gavin McLeod

School Dental Van Service at Kruger SS

West Moreton Oral Health provides a free dental service, including general dental treatment, as well as general advice and referral letters to school aged children between the ages of four years until they complete Grade Ten. A team of highly trained and skilled clinicians and support staff provides this service.

The Dental Van will be at Kruger State School in the near future and dental forms have been sent home to parents. Please return Dental Forms to the office as soon as possible. Please contact the West Moreton Oral Health Service on 1300 763 246 if you have any concerns about the health of your child/ren teeth.

Head Lice

It has come to our attention that we currently have a number of cases of head lice in the school.

Some parents in each class are being very responsible by checking and treating their children regularly, but this is only effective if EVERY child is checked and treated, as well as other members of the family.

The Health Department advises that it is the parents’ responsibility to detect and treat head lice infestations. Teachers and Child Health Nurses are not expected to do head inspections as this is not part of their duties.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND TREAT PROMPTLY IF YOU FIND EGGS (NITS) OR LICE.

In the event that it comes to our attention that a child has head lice, we need to act in accordance with departmental policy. This requires us to contact parents to ask for prompt attention to treatment. Children who have head lice do not need to be excluded from school if correct treatment has been recently applied.

Donations of Preloved Kruger SS Uniforms

We are in great need of preloved Kruger SS uniforms to be held at the office for emergencies. If you have any uniforms available, we would be grateful if you could please donate them to the school. We would appreciate donations of clean uniforms, any sizes, as some student may need to change into these uniforms if required. Thank you for your assistance.

School Crossing – Supervisors Directions

Parents and teachers are asked to encourage their children to use the supervised crossing and to set a good example themselves by obeying the School Crossing Supervisor’s directions whenever they use the crossing.

Stop when the STOP sign is displayed

When the School Crossing Supervisor holds up the STOP sign all road users, must stop their vehicles clear of the crossing. Road users must not begin to accelerate until all pedestrians, including the School Crossing Supervisor, are safely on the footpath on either side of the road. If a vehicle has stopped to give way to the pedestrians at a crossing facility, do not overtake the vehicle while it is stationary.
Failure to comply is an offence that will be reported to the Police.

No Stopping Zones

The ‘No Stopping’ zones delineate the School Crossing Supervisor’s workplace and serves to protect an area on either side of a crossing facility. It is important to the safety of pedestrians who use the crossing facility that this road rule is followed. If this is ignored, the enforcement agencies will be contacted. The design of a crossing facility is a standard layout described in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices to allow School Crossing Supervisors/ pedestrians to have a clear view of approaching vehicles and vice versa.

School Crossing Supervisors have the authority to report any incidents that affect their personal safety and the safety of pedestrians. They will record registration numbers and details of offending vehicles and report them. There are no circumstances where a driver can stop in the crossing zone: drivers delivering or waiting for children are no exception and are not exempt.

Supervised crossing procedure

The School Crossing Supervisor will ask all pedestrians, both children and adults, to wait on the footpath. When a suitable gap appears in the traffic from both directions, the supervisor will extend the STOP sign to face the traffic and, when it is safe to do so, proceed to the centre of the road with the STOP sign displayed. The supervisor will blow two blasts of the whistle to indicate that it is safe for pedestrians to cross. When all pedestrians have cleared the crossing, the School Crossing Supervisor then returns to the footpath.

All cyclists, skateboarders, children wearing roller blades or with scooters will be asked to dismount and walk their ‘wheels’ over the crossing.

Please assist your School Crossing Supervisors – they are here to protect your children.

Triple P - Are you a parent of a child with type 1 diabetes?

Every day, thousands of Australian children suffer the effects of Type 1 diabetes and families struggle with illness management and children’s behavioural and emotional adjustment.

Positive Parenting for Healthy Living is an adaptation of the successful Triple P—Positive Parenting Program offering practical ideas and support for parents of children with type 1 diabetes. This innovative group program is designed to help parents manage their child’s illness, assist children in coping with their illness and emotions, and prevent and manage difficult child behaviour.

Over the next few months and for a limited time only, parents of 2-10 year old children with type 1 diabetes are able to access Positive Parenting for Healthy Living Triple P as part of a University of Queensland research project. Parents will be able to attend the program free of charge, and will be asked to complete 2 sets of assessment measures (questionnaire and family observation) over a 6 month period, as part of the study. Contact Aditi Lohan on (07) 3346 7689 or email diabetes.healthyliving@uq.edu.au, or visit www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/t1diabetes for more information.

Community Information Evening

Study Group Career Partnerships, in conjunction with the Choices not Chances Program, Redbank Plains State High School, is proud to offer the community an opportunity to engage in the following training:

Certificate III in Allied Health/Aged Care*
Other qualifications on offer:
Certificate III in Business *
Certificate III in Fitness *
Certificate III in Events *
Certificate IV in Small Business Management*

*Eligibility criteria apply

All courses are to be held in our local area. An information session is to be held:

Date: 31 March 2015
Place: ‘C’ Block, Redbank Plains State High School
Willow Road, Redbank Plains 4301
Time: 5:00pm – Free Sausage Sizzle
6:00-7.00pm – Information Session

Further information & RSVP contact: Mike Winton, Coordinator, Choices not Chances Program, Redbank Plains SHS on 0422 318 392 or mwint53@eq.edu.au

Sensory Movie Day - Ipswich City

Sensory Movie Day is an inclusive event for families with special needs. Lighting is on Dim, Sound lowered. Fire exit doors are monitored by Volunteers.

Tickets cost $6 each
Children 2 years and under are free
Companion I.D. cards accepted
Tickets can be purchased on the day
email sensorymovieday@hotmail.com

Fordsdale Horseback Adventures

One on One Horse Riding

For families with Special needs

The Fordsdale Horseback Adventures are offering families with Special Needs, the opportunity to have a one on one 30 minute experience with a horse.

Getting to know the horse, grooming, leading the horse and riding The horse (only if comfortable) No experience necessary.
Time: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4pm Tuesday 7th & 14th April 2015
Location: 171 Wagners Rd, Fordsdale QLD
Clothing: Please wear Leggings/Jeans, enclosed shoes/Sneakers. Weather permitting
Ages: School Aged Special needs Children (5yrs plus) Siblings welcome
Cost: $25ea prepaid required,
To Book Contact: Chanelle on 0422416509
e-mail sensorymovieday@hotmail.com
Bank details “Sensory Movie Day” BSB 084745 ACC 8408833
Please use your name and “FHA” as reference
Cancellations, please give us plenty of notice to find a replacement if we are unable to find replacement than refund will not be given.
Get in quick places are filling up fast

**PEACH Program – Free Healthy Lifestyle Program**

**Get your family active and eating well**

Local families can now sign up for the free healthy lifestyle program called PEACH™ - Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health. Registrations are now open for a group to commence in term 2, 2015.

The program is fun for kids and helps parents and carers make healthy eating and activity a part of every-day life. It is available to families with a child aged between 5-11 years who is above a healthy weight of their age.

It consists of 10 group sessions that run for 90 minutes each. The first 9 sessions are held weekly within the school term. Ongoing individualised family support is offered through the second half of the program ending with one final group session.

Some of the topics covered include nutrition skills, relationships with food and eating, changing family lifestyle behaviours and making healthy eating affordable. While the parent sessions are taking place, children enjoy active play with a trained child physical activity facilitator.

The program is funded by the Queensland government and being delivered by the Queensland University of Technology.

If you would like more information about the PEACH™ program or to register please contact free call 1800 263 519 or visit www.peachqld.com.au

**Foundations Care**

**“Have you ever considered being a foster carer?”**

Foundations Care are a foster and kinship carer support agency who can answer questions you may have regarding being a foster carer. Foundations offer training, support and can help you, help others. Please give us a call today on 3810 4888 for more information. Because at Foundations Care, we give but never give up”.

As mentioned above, Foundations Care are a support agency for foster and kinship carers and we are trying to get the word out into the community, as unfortunately there is a large need for carers.

**Foundation Care**

**We give but never give up**

Daine Ballard
Lead Case Worker
P: (07) 3810 4888 F: (07) 3810 4877
dballard@foundcare.org.au
www.foundcarekids.org.au

**Easy Ride with New Rules - Cyclists**

As of 1 January 2015 a cyclist is able to ride across a zebra or children’s crossing, provided they:

- First come to a complete stop
- Proceed slowly and safely
- Give way to any pedestrian on the crossing
- Keep to the left of any oncoming cyclist or person using a personal mobility device.

It’s still ok to ride on a footpath too.

These are the rules, so what does that mean for supervised crossings? Part of a crossing supervisors role is to respectfully communicate safe crossing procedures.

This information can be passed on to the cyclist if their action is impacting on pedestrian safety in the environment. Just like scooters, roller blades, and skateboards, crossing supervisors can ask the person to dismount/remove/wheel/carry. Please encourage safe behaviours around your school environment.

More information can be found on the website, visit www.qld.gov.au and search ‘Bicycle road rules’.

**Surfers Paradise Festival 3-18 April**

Coming up shortly in Surfers Paradise is our sixth annual Surfers Paradise Festival! It’s our favourite time of the year when we celebrate the fun-loving, care-free buzz of Surfers Paradise with loads of FREE family fun! This year’s festival features food, art, music, and entertainment in the precinct, with an action-packed program guaranteed to suit the whole family. Returning to the festival will be some of our Festival favourites – The Australian Street Entertainment Championships, SIPFest short film festival, and the ever-popular SeaFire Fireworks Challenge, plus a new addition - the Festival Pavilion.

For more information, visit our website http://www.surfersparadise.com/whats-on/free-events/surfers-paradise-festival

**Westgate Church Easter Twilight Markets**

Saturday 28th March, 2015
3pm to 8pm
Market Stalls, Fundraising for our Fiji Missions trip, Food, Live Music, Auctions and more!

At Westgate Church
151-161 Redbank Plains Road, Bellbird Park
Contact Hannah on 0422927607 if you are interested in becoming a stallholder or
Bec on 04336801224 for other enquiries.
New or old items permitted.

**Kruger Easter Festival – Sunday 5th April at 3pm**

Free!

Bucking Bull, Super Slide, Easter Egg Hunt, Jumping Castle,
Face painting, Music, Sausage Sizzle, food, and more…

Kruger Parade Baptist Church
Corner Henderson St & Kruger Parade, Redbank
Contact Thea on 3814 0144 for more information or email office@kruger.org.au